

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of		)
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	Chen et al.	)
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Serial No.:	10/670,876	) Art Unit
		) 2828
Filed:	September 25, 2003	)
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For:	EPITAXIAL LAYER FOR LASER DIODE	)
	RIDGE PROTECTION	)
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Confirmation No.:	5788	)
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Customer No.:	022913	)
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Examiner:	James A. Menefee	)

**AMENDMENT "C" AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this paper in response to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2006 (the "Office Action"). Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks:

*Amendments to the Drawings* begin on page 2 of this paper;

*Amendments to the Claims* are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper; and

*Remarks* begin on page 8 of this paper.